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- A4 - Amateur radio operators in Oman have been granted permission to operate on 30 metres and Chris, A45XR has been very active on that band since 3 February. QSL to Chris Dabrowski, P.O. Box 2038, CPO 111, Oman ("I prefer IRCs", he says, "if there is something green in envelope please use tape to seal it properly"). Bureau cards are all right, but the A4 QSL bureau is "extremely slow". Do not send any card via SP5EXA (Chris' home call, not his QSL manager). A log search for A45XR's activity on 30 metres is up and running at <http://www.a45xr.spdxc.org/index.php>
- 3D2 - A large group of members of the Mitsubishi Electric Tokyo Ham Club will be DX vacationing on Fiji on 8-10 February. They plan to operate on 160-6 metres as 3D2/JM1YGG. QSL via JM1YGG. [TNX N1DG]
- 3Y - Petrus, 3Y0E (www.3y0e.com) says he will break camp and go QRT from Bouvet Island on 9 February. He has made over 1,400 QSOs, "a remarkable achievement from one so new to amateur radio". QSL via LZ3HI. [TNX ZS6DXB]
- CE0 - Ralph, K0HML will be active as CE0Y/K0HML from Easter Island (SA-001) on 13-20 February. His operating time will be limited and he plans to be active on +/- 14183 and 3790 kHz around 00.00-1.00 UTC. QSL via hoem call, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]
- CT3 - DK7YY, DL5AXX, DL5LYM and DL8WAA will be active as CT3/homecall from Madeira (AF-014) on 12-18 February. QSL via home calls. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as CT9L (QSL via DJ6QT). [TNX NG3K]
- CT3 - Rosel, DL3KWR and Hardy, DL3KWF will be active again as CT3/DL3KWR and CT3/DL3KWF from Madeira (AF-014) on 6-20 March. They plan to operate mostly CW and on 12, 17 and 30 metres. Hardy will try also in RTTY and PSK-31. QSL via home calls. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr@darc.de or dl3kwf@darc.de respectively. Their web site is at <http://www.mydarc.de/dl3kwr> [TNX DL3KWF]
- FT - Gildas, TU5KG [425DXN 871] expects to be active as from FT5XR Port aux Francais, Kerguelen on 15-16 February, while his fishing boat is refuelling. Then he will be sailing in the Crozet area until around 15 March, when he will stop again at Port aux Francais before heading back to Reunion. QSL via F4EFI, direct or bureau. [TNX F4EFI and F6AJA]
- JA - Look for Takeshi, JS6RRR (JI3DST) to operate as JS6RRR/6 from the Okinawa Islands (AS-017) on 9-12 February. QSL via home call, bureau only. [TNX JS6RRR]
- JX - Svein, LA9JKA (JX9JKA) will be "very active" from Jan Mayen (EU-022) from 27 March through 8 October. He plans to operate SSB and digital modes on 160-6 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX LA9SN]
- KP2 - Look for KP2/K3CT and KP2/K3TEJ (QSL via home calls) to be active from the US Virgin Islands (NA-106) on 10-20 February. They will

- emphasize 160, 30, 12 and 17 metres, and will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as KP2M (QSL via AI4U). [TNX NG3K]
- KP2 - Yuriy, N2TTA will be active as NP2/N2TTA from the US Virgin Islands on 12-19 February. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as NP2S (QSL via W3HNC). [TNX NG3K]
- PA - PA8A, PA3GLF and PA3GVI will be signing PG6G during the PACC Contest on 9-10 February. They will be active on 160-10 metres CW and SSB. QSL via PA3GVI, direct or bureau. [TNX PA3GVI]
- PA - Ulf, DK5TX will be active as PA/DK5TX from Goeree Overflakkee (EU-146) on 11-17 February. He will operate SSB, slow CW and RTTY on 80-10 metres, plus 6 and 2 metres. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
- PJ - W9RE, N5OT, W4OC and N4GG will operate as PJ4/homecall from Bonaire (SA-006), Netherlands Antilles on 12-19 February. QSL via home calls. They will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as PJ4M (QSL via N4GG). [TNX NG3K]
- PY - Joska, HA9RT reports he will be active as PT7/HA9RT from Praia das Fontes, Ceara (Brazil) on 8-19 February. He plans to operate on 160-10 metres using 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via home call.
- T32 - Bill, N7OU and Bob, W7YAO will be active as T32OU and T32YA from Christmas Island (OC-024), Eastern Kiribati on 12-26 February, including a M/S entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest as T32OU. They plan to operate mainly CW, with some SSB and RTTY, on 160-10 metres, using 100 watts and vertical antennas. QSL via home calls. [TNX NG3K]
- T6 - Sigfrido (aka 7Q7RS and 5H0RS) is now active as T6AB from Afghanistan. QSL via IT9YVO.
- TI9 - TI9K was expected to become active from Isla del Coco a few days ago, but it has been delayed (not cancelled!) by a bureaucratic hiccup. A new callsign (TI9KK) has been issued and the team was able to leave for Cocos around 18 UTC on 6 February. Operations are expected to start on the 8th and plans are to depart the island on the 14th. QSL via EA2CRX. The website for the expedition is at www.ti9.eu.com [TNX DJ7JC]
- V3 - Art, NN7A will be active for the 7th time V31JZ/p from South Water Caye (NA-180), Belize on 22-26 February. This will be a one-person operation using battery and solar power for a 100 watt transceiver, with vertical and wire antennas. Operation will be mostly CW on 40-10 metres, with some 80m and 160m. Some SSB on 20 and 15 metres is possible, conditions permitting. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NN7A]
- VK9L - Willy, ON5AX and Magda, ON3AX will be active as VK9ALH from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) on 23-30 March. They plan to operate CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via ON5AX. [TNX ON5AX]
- VP2V - Steve, AK0M will be active as VP2V/AK0M from the British Virgin Islands (NA-023) on 11-18 February, including an entry in the ARRL DX CW Contest with the call VP2VES. [TNX The Daily DX]
- VP6D - The VP6DX team set sail from Mangareva aboard the Braveheart on 5 February, and expected to reach Ducie (OC-182) at their daybreak on the 8th, a day ahead of the nominal timeline. Once on the island, the team will set up camps, stations and antennas; all the stations are expected to start activity almost simultaneously on 10 or 11 February.

Announced frequencies are (* = QSX down):

	CW	SSB	RTTY

160m	1821.3	1843.3	-
80m	3502	3784	-
40m	7002	7099	-
30m	10104	-	10139*
20m	14002	14172	14089*
17m	18072	18165*	-
15m	21002	21295	-
12m	24892	24987*	-
10m	28002	28495	-
6m	50105	50105	-

QSL via DL6LAU, direct only - please visit www.vp6dx.com for information on bureau cards and QSLling policy, as well as for updates, on-line logs, operating information and much more.

- VU - Bernhard, DL2GAC will be active once again as VU2BMS from India between 8 and 27 February. He plans to do some 2 metre EME WSJT from grid locator MK80ea. [TNX The Daily DX]
- XU - Bernd, DK7TF and Rudi, DK7PE will be active as XU7DLH from Cambodia on until 14 February. Rudi will operate on 40, 80 and 160 metres. For Japan he will transmit on 1821 kHz and receive on 1824,5 kHz; for North America and Europe he might change his TX frequency to 1824,5 (QSX up 5) if needed, due to possible QRM on 1821 in NA. Please let him now if he has to QSY. QSL via DK7TF. [TNX DL7MAE]
- XU - John, 9M6XRO will operate CW, SSB and digital modes as XU7XRO from Sihanoukville, Cambodia on 20-26 February. QSL via M5AAV, direct or bureau. [TNX K1XN]
- YN - Dmytro, AK2P reports he will be active as H7/AK2P and YN2G from Nicaragua on 8-13 February. He plans to operate all modes and to participate in the CQ WW WPX RTTY Contest. QSL via KC2ATG.
- YN - Eric, K9GY will be active from Nicaragua on 14-18 February. He will operate from the YN2N QTH (<http://www.yn2n.com>) and will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as H7/K9GY on 160-10 metres. QSL via home call. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

CARIBBEAN TRIP ---> Tadeusz/SP3IPB, Agnieszka/SQ3WN, Janusz/SP6IXF and Przemek/SP7VC will be active as FS/homecalls from St. Martin (NA-105) on 14-16 February and as FJ/homecalls from St. Barthelemy (NA-146) on 17-26 February. They plan to operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 40-10 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX SP6IXF]

CQ WW WPX RTTY CONTEST ---> The following stations have announced their participation in this year's event (9-10 February):

Call	Category	DXCC	QSL via

4U1UN		United Nations HQ	HB9BOU
B4TB	MS	China	BA4TB
D4C	SOAB HP	Cape Verde	IZ4DPV
E21YDP	SOAB	Thailand	E21YDP
EA8OM	SOAB LP	Canary Islands	DJ1OJ
EF8M	SOAB HP	Canary Islands	RX3DU
HI3C	SO LP	Dominican Republic	ON4IQ

HI3T	SOAB LP	Dominican republic	ON4IQ
NP3U	M/2	Puerto Rico	WP4U
OA4O	M/S	Peru	OA4O
OH0Z	SOAB	Aland Islands	W0MM
T77CD		San Marino	I0MWI
V31GW		Belize	DK9GG
V31TB		Belize	KT7G
XW1B	SOAB	Laos	E21EIC
YN2G		Nicaragua	KC2ATG
YN2S	SOAB	Nicaragua	W3HNC
ZF2XD	SOAB LP	Cayman Islands	K3IXD

Do not forget to give a look to the Announced Operations listing maintained by Bill, NG3K at <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cgrjwpx2008.html> - good contest to you all!

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425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The latest issue (January 2008) is now available at <http://www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html>. Articles and pictures should be sent to Nicola Baldresca, IZ3EBA (iz3eba@ari.it).

HAM RADIO 2008 ---> The 33rd International Exhibition for Radio Amateurs - Europe's most important meeting for amateur radio enthusiasts - will take place on 27-29 June at Friedrichshafen. As usual, there will be a big flea market and commercial exhibitors, as well as many lectures and presentations. Ham Radio 2008 will be combined with the 59th Bodensee Convention organized by the DARC More information at <http://www.darc.de/ausland/new/HR2008>. [TNX DL7RBI]

PROPAGATION REFLECTOR ---> Thomas Giella, KN4LF has founded a new radiowave propagation e-mail reflector ("LF/MF/HF/VHF Frequency Radiowave Propagation") for amateur radio operators and SWLs "to ask questions about and become better educated concerning solar, space and geomagnetic weather, as well as radiowave propagation". Thomas will also be posting his free "Daily LF/MF/HF/6M Frequency Radiowave Propagation Forecast" there. You can sign up at <http://montreal.kotalampi.com/mailman/listinfo/kn4lf> [TNX KN4LF]

QSL GALLERY ---> A collection of 1900+ QSL cards can be found at <http://www.dxqsl.110mb.com> [TNX US7IID]

QSL PZ5RA ---> Ramon says his new mailing address is: Ramon A. Kaersenhout, P.O. Box 745, Paramaribo, Suriname.

QSL TO5FJ ---> Paul, F6EXV says that he will start QSLling within a couple of weeks. Please note that French postal rates will increase effective 1 March, so you'd better mail your direct request now and refrain from using SASEs. QSLling directions can be found at <http://www.f6exv.org/>

QSL VS9SJF ---> John, G3UCQ says he still has logbooks and cards for his activity as VS9SJF from Socotra Island back in 1964-65. [TNX G3ZAY]

QSL VIA IK7JTF ---> Rino, IK7JTF says he still has logs and QSL cards for 5N9RGP, CN8SN, CN8VK, HZ1CCA, OD5PI, TT8AM and a few other stations (see qrz.com under IK7JTF). The only valid address is Salvatore Borace, Via delle Croste 6, 70010 Cellamare - BA, Italy.

+ SILENT KEYS + Recently reported Silent Keys include Gennaro Pellecchia (I8ZPX), Larry W. Sossoman (K4CEB), Mike Clark (K5KZ), Per Oscar Lomeland (LA8PF), John Cornwell (NC8V) and Leonid Sharapov (UA3DR).

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B7SP, 3B8/OH2YY, 3B8CF, 3C0M, 3C7Y, 3DA0WW, 3DA0ZO, 3W3W, 3X5A, 3XA8DX, 3Y0E, 4L1QX, 4S7EXG, 4W6GH, 5H3EE, 5H3VMB, 5J0A, 5R8RJ, 5R8VB, 5Z4/JK1FNL, 6W1SJ, 7Q7VB, 8P5A, 9G500, 9M6AAC, 9U0VB, 9U0X, 9Y4W, A61Q, A71EM, AH0V, AH2L, AH2R, AI4VU/HI3, AP2DHK, BA7IO, BG7JQS, BU2AI, BY1TX/4, C52C, C6AKQ, C91R, CE0Y/OE2SNL, CE3/VE7SV, CT3FT, D2NX, D60VB, DS5AAQ, DU3NXX, E4/OM2DX, E51A, E51MMM, E51NNN, E51QMA, E7/KX7M, EL2AR, EL2DX, ES5TV, ET3JA, EU3AR, EU3DN, FM5LD, FR/OH2YY, FS5KA, FW0YL, GM4KGK (EU-010), GU0SUP, H40MY, HK0/W0OR, HP4/W4JKC (NA-088), HR9/WQ7R, HS0ZAR, HS0ZBS, HS0ZID, HS0ZIF, HV0A, HV50VR, HV5PUL, IC8OZM (EU-031), J20RR, J28JA, J28OO, J39BS, J5X, J6/DL7AFS, J75/DK0RZ, J88DR, JD1BMH, JG7JSQ, K6VVA/KL7, KC4AAA, KH0O, KH7S, KH7X, KL1V, KL7HBK, LX/PA2CW, LY2IJ, MM0SJH, N4R, OA4/N6XQ, OA4WW, OD5NH, OH2K, OJ0B, OX/NA1SA, OX3KQ, OX3XR, OY3QN, PJ2T, PJ4/PA0VDV, PY7XC (SA-072), PZ5RA, R7C/ANT, RA1QQ/P, RA1QY/1 (EU-133), S07X, S79LL, S79UU, ST2R, SU9NC, SV9CVY, T32Z, T77C, T94CT, TA3/LZ1NK, TF3KX, TF4M, TG9ADM, TG9AHM, TK/DL4FF, TN6X, TN9Z, TR8CA, UA0ANW, UA0SC, UE1RLH, UN7MMM, UN7PBY, UP0L, V51AS, V51KC, V60DU, V60YAQ, V63DU, V8FDM, V8FWP, V8FWU, VK9ANH, VK9WWI, VP2EDL, VP6TD, VP8DIZ, VP9/K7AR, VU7LD, XE1L, XU7MDY, YJ0ADX, YO9WF, YW5AS (SA-051), ZC4LI, ZD7X, ZF2AH, ZL7/DL2AH, ZL7/SP5EAQ, ZP6CW, ZS1JX.

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